

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER #8, 2<sup>nd</sup> Series**

State of Minnesota

District Court

Fifth Judicial District

Administrative Order No. 8, 2<sup>nd</sup> Series  
Date of Implementation: November 5, 2010

**In Re: Order Establishing Guidelines for Assessing Public Defender Reimbursement Fees**

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:**

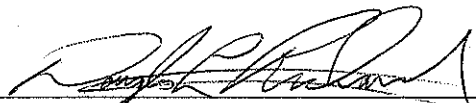
The following guidelines shall be used in the Fifth District in determining eligibility and assessing reimbursement rates for public defender services.

1. After determining eligibility, public defenders will not be appointed to any defendant without cost, except when the defendant's sole source of income is public assistance.
2. If the defendant's income falls within the following guideline, the reimbursement fee shall be assessed at the time of the appointment of a public defender, subject to change upon verification of reported income.
3. If it is determined that the defendant has unusual circumstances, a departure from this guideline may be recommended to the appointed judge.
4. Public defender reimbursement is in addition to the \$75.00 co-pay for representation as established in 2002 Minnesota Session Laws, Chapter 220, Article 6, Section 13. The co-payment, if not waived, will be assessed upon the disposition of the case.
5. The guideline shall be used in lieu of the optional guideline contained in M.S. § 611.20, Subd. 6.
6. The following guidelines apply:

<b><u>Size of Family Unit</u></b>	<b><u>Gross Monthly Family Income</u></b>	<b><u>Reimbursement Fee</u></b>
1	Less Than 902	\$25.00
	\$902 – 1200	\$50.00
	1201 – 1353	\$75.00
	1354 – 1669	\$100.00
	1670 – 2256 (Maximum)	\$175.00
2	Less than 1214	\$25.00
	1214 – 1614	\$50.00

	1615 – 1821	\$75.00
	1822 – 2246	\$100.00
	2247 – 3035 (Maximum)	\$175.00
3	Less Than 1525	\$25.00
	1525 – 2029	\$50.00
	2030 – 2288	\$75.00
	2289 – 2822	\$100.00
	2823 – 3814 (Maximum)	\$175.00
4	Less Than 1837	\$25.00
	1837 – 2443	\$50.00
	2444 – 2756	\$75.00
	2757 – 3399	\$100.00
	3400 – 4593 (Maximum)	\$175.00
5	Less Than 2149	\$25.00
	2149 – 2858	\$50.00
	2859 – 3223	\$75.00
	3224 – 3975	\$100.00
	3976 – 5372 (Maximum)	\$175.00
6	Less Than 2460	\$25.00
	2460 – 3272	\$50.00
	3273 – 3691	\$75.00
	3691 - 4552	\$100.00
	4553 – 6152 (Maximum)	\$175.00

Dated: Nov 5, 2010



Judge Douglas L. Richards, Chief Judge  
Fifth Judicial District

History: June 19, 2002 Original Administrative Order 15 issued  
March 26, 2008, Administrative Order 8, 2<sup>nd</sup> Series, adopted from the original  
Administrative Order 15  
**November 5, 2010, amended for current co-pay amount and updated income guidelines.**